

### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEALS BOARD

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OMNOVA SOLUTIONS, INC.,

Petitioner;

v.

THE DIE GEM CO., INC.,

Respondent.

Cancellation No. 92043900

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#### **COVER LETTER**

Sir:

Please find enclosed for filing with the Trademark Trial and Appeals Board, the following document(s):

- 1. Petitioner's Renewed Motion for Default Judgment Under Rules 2.106 and 2.114.
- 2. Certificate of Service on Respondent.

Respectfully submitted,

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# PETITIONER'S RENEWED MOTION FOR DEFAULT JUDGMENT OF CANCELLATION

Petitioner OMNOVA Solutions, Inc. ("OMNOVA Solutions"), pursuant to Trademark Rules 2.106 and 2.114, hereby renews its motion for a default judgment against Respondent, the Die Gem Co., Inc. ("Die Gem"), for failing to make a timely answer. Die Gem has failed to submit an answer for over seven weeks from the second deadline (June 1, 2005) that was established by a specific order of the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board (the "Board") dated April 22, 2005.

- 1. On November 22, 2004, Petitioner OMNOVA Solutions filed a petition to cancel Die Gem's U.S. Reg. No. 1,384,270 for "Peel N Stick" (the "Challenged Registration"). Respondent Die Gem did not answer the Petition.
- 2. No answer having been received within forty days, on February 17, 2005, the Board issued a Notice of Default.
- 3. On March 25, 2005, still with no answer having been received, the Board entered judgment by default against Die Gem (the "First Default Judgment"), canceling

the Challenged Registration. On April 20, 2005, a Commissioner's order issued canceling the Challenged Registration in its entirety.

- 4. On April 4, 2005, Die Gem filed a motion to quash the default judgment, asserting that it had not received the Notice of Default. Die Gem never served that motion on Petitioner OMNOVA Solutions as required by Trademark Rule 2.119, and Petitioner never saw it before the TTAB vacated the First Default Judgment.
- 5. On April 22, 2005, in response to Die Gem's never-served motion to quash, the Board set aside the First Default Judgment and reinstated the Challenged Registration. The Board granted Respondent an additional forty days (until June 1, 2005) to answer the Petition, giving Die Gem yet another chance to answer it.
- 6. Thus, through its Order dated April 22, 2005, the Board established a second deadline of June 1, 2005 for Die Gem to answer the cancellation petition.
- 7. Now, six weeks past that deadline set by a specific order from the Board, Die Gem still is flouting the Board's rules and has not answered the Petition.
- 8. Die Gem already has received a Notice of Default but still is over seven weeks late in meeting its second answer deadline.
- 9. Die Gem is further flouting the Board's rules by failing to provide OMNOVA Solutions with any answer, objection, or other response whatsoever to OMNOVA Solutions' first set of discovery requests, which were served on January 18, 2005. Responses to those discovery requests are more than five months overdue, unduly delaying the progress of this case.
- 10. Trademark Rules 2.106(a) and 2.114(a) provide for entry of a default judgment for failure to file a timely answer. Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 37, incorporated into Trademark Rules 2.116 and 2.120(g), authorizes entry of a default

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See also Trademark Rule judgment as a sanction for failure to answer discovery.

2.120(g)(1&2). OMNOVA Solutions has received no answer or discovery responses

from Die-Gem.

11. Due to Die Gem's failure to answer the petition or discovery, and its

blatant disregard for the processes of the Board, entry of a second default judgment

canceling the Challenged Registration is now appropriate.

12. This scheduling order in this case already has been revised once due to

Respondent's failure to comply with its deadlines.

13. On the merits, Die Gem has not made or documented to OMNOVA

Solutions continued use of the mark that is the subject of the Challenged Registration in

the relevant class of goods.

14. In addition, Die Gem never provided OMNOVA Solutions with any

documents or evidence in response to Petitioner's discovery or other requests for proof of

continued use of the mark in the relevant class of goods, or otherwise. Therefore, Die

Gem has failed to make or show continuing use in commerce in the relevant class of

goods.

15. WHEREFORE, OMNOVA Solutions hereby respectfully requests entry of

a default judgment canceling the Challenged Registration on the grounds of abandonment

and procedural default.

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on the 25th day of July, 2005, a Petitioner's Renewed Motion for Default Judgment Under Rules 2.106 and 2.114, was filed with the Trademark Trial and Appeals Board, in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in re: Cancellation No. 92043900.

I certify that on the 25th day of July, 2005, a copy of the foregoing Petitioner's Renewed Motion for Default Judgment Under Rules 2.106 and 2.114, was served by U.S. Mail, properly addressed and postage prepaid, on the correspondent of record for the Respondent:

Mr. James R. Adams, President The Die Gem Co., Inc. P.O. Box 8033 Maple Valley Station Akron, Ohio 44320

/s/ Michael C. Whitticar

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